REMARKS

Claims 1-8 are currently active.

Claims 9-12 have been canceled.

The Examiner has found Claims 1-8 patentable.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully requested that the outstanding rejections and objections to this application be reconsidered and withdrawn, and Claims 1-8, now in this application be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,

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